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Client Reference: Hydrate Elevator

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of

MICHAEL DAVID MAX, et al.

Group Art Unit: 1724

Application No.: 10/656,339

Examiner: Hruskoci

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CIRCULATION

Amendment in Response to Office Action

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed April 6, 2005, please amend the application identified above as follows: